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The City of Franklin is featured as a case study in a book titled, **Designing Planned Communities** by **Daniel R. Mandelker**. A quote from the book reads, "Franklin, Tennessee treats design issues as a central element in its planning policy, and includes design concepts as an integral part of its comprehensive plan for the entire City." For a complete look at the publication go to <http://law.wustl.edu/landuselaw/BookDPC/Designing%20Planned%20Communities.pdf>

Chief Jackie Moore, Shirley Harmon, Sgt. Scott Butler and I traveled to Dallas, Texas last weekend for conclusion of the City's CALEA Accreditation process. On March 27th after a presentation and review from a panel of Police professionals from across the country, the Franklin Police Department received its fourth award for successful completion of the accreditation process from the Commission of Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA). This award is valid for three years at which time the re-accreditation process must be accomplished again. The department must maintain professional standards and excellence by following standards set by the outside entity(CALEA). This process is a difficult one and many agencies fail to accomplish it. However, the dedication and determination of the Franklin Police Department and its leadership provided the requirements necessary to go above and beyond accomplishing re-accreditation. With continued support from the city administration, the department plans on maintaining its accreditation status and ongoing commitment to professionalism for years to come. Congratulations to all who contributed to our successful re-accreditation process. Great work Franklin Police Department!

The Department of Solid Waste and the **COF Communications Division** have been working with a graphic designer (Klatt2Designs) for a new logo for the **Blue Bag Curbside Recycling Public Education campaign**. The new logo is below. Our first educational insert in the Utility Bills will go out shortly before Mothers Day.



Franklin Police Lieutenant Kevin Teague, a 20-year Franklin Police veteran, graduated last week from the **FBI National Academy at Quantico, Virginia**. This 240th session of the program consisted of law enforcement professionals from 50 states, the District of Columbia, and 20 countries. The National Academy Program offers 10 weeks of advanced investigative, management, and fitness training to law enforcement officers with proven records as professionals within their agencies. Many of the program's graduates go on to achieve a variety of executive-level positions within their respective agencies.

Reminder on big dates in April and May:

Dog Park Opening, K9 Corral, April 12 at The Park at Harlinsdale 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Dogs are welcome at the opening; there will be fun giveaways to the first 100 guests.

Arbor/Earth Day April 17th at Pinkerton Park

The event begins at 10:00 a.m. and will feature entertainment, food, tree sapling giveaway, demonstrations and tree climbing and zip line for the entire family.

State of the City April 21 at Liberty Hall in the Factory 7:30 a.m.

Presentation begins at 8:00 a.m. Breakfast will be provided and all City departments will participate with information tables before and after the presentation.

Franklin Police Building Grand Opening May 15th

A ceremony will begin at 9:00 a.m. with an open house tour taking place until 2:00 p.m. This is a Saturday, so bring the family and show off Franklin's newest government facility.

In case you missed it, an interesting tidbit, **Williamson County** has been ranked by *Forbes* as the **4th Best Place to Get Ahead** and according to a migration study by United Van Lines, Williamson County had more people moving into the county than out in 2009.

Have a great weekend and enjoy the holiday with your family and friends!

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